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All Kinds of Auto Accessories, Tires, Etc.

CONGRATULATIONS

To The Men and Women of
DORSEY TRAILERS

For Outstanding Performance and Excellence in the Production of War Materials which bring recognition and honor to your organization and the coveted
Army-Navy "E" Award



To Be Presented Friday, February 2nd

We are proud of the splendid record you have made and wish for you many more years of useful and worthwhile service to the country and this community.

CITY OF ELBA, ALABAMA
FEDERATED STORES
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JOHN F. BRUNSON
THE ELBA THEATRE
EMERGENCY AID LIFE ASSOCIATION
THE ELBA CLIPPER

Life's Most PRECIOUS OFFERINGS

Thoughts of those who were near to us are among life's most precious offerings. Here—because no detail of perfection and service is overlooked—the final parting becomes a thing of beauty to forever enrich future memories.

BONNEAU-JETER FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Mrs. J. L. Jones, Smith Avenue, returned home last Thursday from Jacksonville, Fla., where she went for treatment at Riverside hospital.

Go to Church Sunday.

COLD USE 666
Cold Preparations as directed

SPECIAL NOTICE!

DR. J. O. CONLEY

Makes Important Change in Appointments,
Will Be At Brunson Hotel, Elba, Ala.
TUESDAY & FRIDAY
8:00 A. M. To 12:00 NOON
Special Chiropractic Treatments for Nervous Conditions, Relief of Rheumatism, Neuritis, Sciatica, Strained or Sore Muscles.

The Great Pasteur

Never Saw Chile's Nitrate Desert, But...



His bacterial research, which gave his name to the pasteurization process, provided the basis for one of the widely accepted explanations of Chilean Nitrate's origin.

Vast beds of Natural Nitrate in Chile's desert region are natural deposits—enough to last hundreds of years—of one of the oldest and best known fertilizer materials. Mystery of their origin long has challenged science. Many theories have developed.

Some say prehistoric plants were "nitritified" by bacteria in the soil. That's what Pasteur's work suggested. Others say they are decayed vegetation.

There is a belief the nitrate beds are droppings of billions of birds. Another, that electricity formed them through centuries of violent storms. Some think the beds are a crust pushed up from underneath.

Perhaps the right theory com-

bines parts of all of them. Who knows? But there is one point on which all agree:

Chilean Nitrate of Soda was created by tremendous natural processes. It is completely natural... the only natural nitrate in the world.

Because of its natural origin, Chilean Nitrate of Soda contains, in addition to nitrogen and sodium, small amounts of boron, iodine, manganese, copper, 34 elements in all—many of which are essential to healthy plant growth.

Yes, a hundred years of research and experience agree on the importance of Chilean Nitrate's natural qualities and their outstanding performance in continued profitable farming.

Easy to Handle... Easy to Use
Natural Chilean Nitrate comes in two forms—Compton brand and Old Style. It makes you the mechanical condition, in even-weight bags, for easy storage and handling.

Natural CHILEAN NITRATE OF SODA

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Germans Strive to Check Great Russian Break-Through in East; Congress Ponders Labor Draft



Extending cooperation gives Yank forces in Philippines, native volunteers information of enemy activity on Mindoro island.

PACIFIC:
Advance Inland
Moving deeper inland down the great central Luzon plain to Manila, with elements probing into the mountains on either side to secure their flanks, Americans of the 6th Army under Gen. Walter Krueger proceeded with caution as the Japs held back on committing their major forces to the battle.

At the same time, U. S. carrier planes ranged far to the west to strike at enemy sources of supply and reinforcements along the south China coast, and U. S. army airmen swept up and down Luzon hammering communications lines and air-dromes harboring the remnants of the Japs' air force.

Strongest opposition to the U. S. drive was encountered in the mountainous terrain on the east flank, where the Japs fought back hard from caves and entrenchments in an effort to hold open the country to the north of them.

NATION'S CUPBOARD:
Well Stocked
With larger supplies in some foods offsetting smaller stocks in others, civilians should eat as much during the first three months of 1945 as during the preceding three months, the War Food administration said.

In comparison, the WFA said, more milk, eggs, cheese and citrus fruits will be available for civilians.

Reflecting prospects for a longer European war than anticipated last fall, farm production goals for 1945 were upped upon the War Food administration's recommendation for more milk, hogs and beef, and dry beans, potatoes, tobacco, flaxseed, sugar beets and clover seeds.

But less meat, chicken, fat, oats, butter, canned fruits and vegetables, potatoes, sugar and dry beans.

For 1945 as a whole, the WFA declared, civilian supplies will be smaller than 1944, but slightly larger than the 1933-39 average. More milk, eggs, meat, chicken, fresh vegetables and fruits, lard, margarine, straws, honey and cereal products will be available than before the war, but less butter, sugar, dry beans, canned fruits and juices, evaporated milk and canned fish.

LABOR DRAFT:
Push Bill

Spurred on by the President's insistence, congress gave increased attention to Rep. Andrew May's modified labor draft bill, prohibiting men between 18 and 45 from leaving essential work without their local Selective Service board's permission, or compelling them to accept jobs designated by such boards.

With the army calling for younger men for replacements, War Mobilizer Byrnes outlined procedure for the induction of registrants in the 20 to 29 group, with less important employees in essential and so-called critical war industries to be called up before key men. Probably half of the present 385,000 deferred farm workers between 18 and 25 now being examined prior to review of their cases can expect to be inducted, Draft Director Hershey said.

While the President said some sort of national service act was necessary to channel workers into necessary jobs, representatives of both labor and industry told congress that the present comparatively small manpower shortage could be best met by voluntary recruiting.

BUILDING MATERIAL
Because it is looked to as the largest single field of expansion, the building trade will have to employ 64 million workers if the postwar objective of 60 million jobs is to be attained, R. J. Thomas of the CIO Automobile Workers union told the American Home Builders convention in Chicago, Ill.

With 64 million workers, Thomas said, a minimum of 1,750,000 homes could be constructed each year, a small percentage of the new housing needed.

LEND-LEASE:

Food Shipments

Shipment of a billion pound drop under 1943, lend-lease food and agricultural products shipments during 1944 totaled over 7 billion pounds, with meats, dairy items and grain cereals composing the bulk of deliveries.

Of meat lend-lease, 788,627,733 pounds were cured, smoked and frozen pork products; 65,235,415 pounds of frozen pork loins; 60,762,383 pounds of lamb and mutton; 23,285,892 pounds of frozen veal; and 16,101,230 pounds of frozen beef. Of dairy products, 239,343,609 pounds of cheese were delivered, 23,896,449 pounds of butter, and 17,860,563 pounds of butter oil.

Other food and agricultural products lend-lease included 343,959,297 pounds of cranberries; 44,041,306 pounds of canned peas; 41,434,897 pounds of canned peaches; 28,039,688 pounds of canned green beans; 24,659,997 pounds of canned tomatoes; 21,868,310 pounds of soap; and 20,185,112 pounds of canned pineapple.

SYNTHETIC RUBBER:

1944 Production

Built up almost overnight as a result of the severance of the nation's imports of crude rubber from the far east following the Japs' early conquests, the U. S. 700 million dollar synthetic rubber industry produced 783,000 long tons (of 2,240 pounds) last year.

Declaring that synthetic production can be boosted to 1,000,000 tons if necessary, Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones said that the 1944 output was equal to the nation's annual peacetime rubber needs.

Because 60 per cent of the rubber used in the United States is for petroleum, Jones said, production costs of the synthetic averaged 33 cents a pound, compared with about 10 cents for the crude.

Celebrities Stricken

On the same day, in mid-month, death came to three of the nation's celebrated figures.

In Meriden, Conn., 50-year-old Francis T. Maloney (Dem.) succumbed to a heart attack. Left to support four brothers and sisters at the age of 12, Maloney worked to the same from newspaper reporter, mayor of Meriden and congressman.

In Washington, D. C., to attend the President's inauguration, 57-year-old George D. Crowley, vice chairman of the division of finance of the Democratic National Committee, died during the recent campaign, died of heart trouble. A prominent Chicago insurance man and financier, Crowley was the son of an assistant secretary of the treasury under President Cleveland.

Creator of the famed "Frank Merriwell" fiction character, whose amazing exploits thrilled millions of readers, 78-year-old Gilbert Patten, who wrote under the name of Earl L. Standish, passed away in San Diego, Calif. Patten, who was away from home at 16 because he didn't like school, wrote a 20,000-word adventure novel every week for 17 years, and was estimated to have written 40,000,000 words in his lifetime.

BASEBALL:

Gets For 'Nod

With the game having been given presidential approval provided it did not interfere with the conduct of the war, major league baseball managers began laying plans for the 1945 season, with their chief concern being to scrape together teams from the dwindling manpower pool.

Although the clubs were expected to rely again on on-discharged or rejected army personnel, their plans were complicated by government regulations calling for examination of 4-Fs and work or light orders to men under 38. Some of these men, however, intend to enter essential industry and arrange for playing ball on the outside.

Because of the need for personnel, "... kids about 17..." will have a wonderful opportunity to play in the big leagues," said Clark Griffith, owner of the Washington Senators.

U. S. NAVY:

Greater Firepower

Its firepower increased five times since July, 1940, combatant ships, auxiliaries and coast guard vessels of the U. S. navy can now hurl 2,000 tons of steel in a 15 second firing run, the equivalent of 50 freight carsloads of steel.

Packing a wallop 92 per cent greater than the pre-Pearl Harbor battleship, Texas, the modern Iowa is armed with nine six-inch guns mounted in three, twenty-five-inch double purpose guns in two, and many smaller anti-aircraft guns.

Possessing 125 per cent more firepower than the 1930 heavy Pensacola, the modern Baltimore carries nine eight-inch guns in three, twelve five-inch anti-aircraft guns in pairs, and numerous smaller anti-aircraft weapons.

BRITISH CASUALTIES

With the United Kingdom of England, Scotland and North Ireland suffering 653,107 casualties alone, British Empire losses totaled 1,043,504 up to last November, Prime Minister Churchill told the house of commons.

Of the other constituents, India's losses reached 152,877; Australia, 84,861; Canada, 78,885; New Zealand, 34,115; South Africa, 28,943; and other colonies, 28,943.

Including recent western front casualties, U. S. losses totaled 721,325.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mr. F. H. Hodge enjoyed a very nice birthday dinner given on Jan. 14, which was his 65th birthday. All the children were present except one daughter, Mrs. T. O. Campbell, and three sons, one of whom is in the army, somewhere in India.

Those present were: His wife, Mrs. F. H. Hodge, and three sons, Travis and Leavy; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hodge and children, Chas. Mae Lean and Dixie Nell; Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Williams and children, Euren, Bertie, Zomera, Thelma, Marion, Irene and baby; Mr. and Mrs. William Hodge and children, Fred, Rayford, Ethelene, and baby; Mr. and Mrs. Noah Johnson and children, Arcus, Chalmers, Pastine and Kathryn; Mrs. Grover Harrison and children, Malcolm and Mildred; Mrs. Pearl Hodge; Mr. Joe Hodge and daughter, Peggy; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hodge and daughter, Rena Dell; Mr. and Mrs. Esker Williams and daughter, Myrtle Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Golden Hughes and family; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Johnson and daughter, Mabel and Louise; Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Rogers and daughter, Joyce; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Harrison; Mr. H. W. Worley and daughter, Essie Rea; Mrs. Lillie Nel-

Hayes Funeral Home

Horse and Ambulance Service

Phones - 21 and 149

FAIRVIEW 4-H CLUB

The Fairview 4-H Club girls met Jan. 1 and elected the following officers: President, Jeanette Blair; vice pres., Faye Ezell; secretary, Lucille Humes; reporter, Adelaide Howell; young leaders, Daphne Bell and Bobbie Rea Snow; local leader, Mrs. Howell. Adelaide Howell, Rep.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Rossie Gordon, Complainant, vs. Lum Gordon, Respondent.

In Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, in Equity, Elba, Division.

To Lum Gordon: You will take notice that Rossie Gordon has filed Bill of Complaint against you in this Court. You are therefore notified to appear, plead, answer or demur to said Bill on or before March 12th, 1945, or its allegations will be taken as confessed.

This 8th day of January, 1945.

GLADYS CLARK, Register.

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